

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 1 with the following paragraph:

This application claims the benefit under Title 35 United States Code 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/307,209, filed July 23, 2001 entitled "A System and Method for Encapsulation, Compression and Encryption of PCM Data" and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/397,823, filed July 23, 2002 entitled "Televpn-Encapsulation, Compression and Encryption of PCM Data" and claims benefit from U.S. Patent Application No. 09/907,089, filed July 17, 2001, entitled "Telephony Security System", and is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/457,494, filed December 8, 1999, entitled "A Tightly Integrated Cooperative Telecommunications Firewall And Scanner With Distributed Capabilities, now U.S. Patent No. US 6,226,372 B1, and claims benefit from U.S. Patent Application No. 09/709,592, filed November 10, 2000, entitled "A System and Method for Encapsulation, Compression and Encryption of PCM Data", all assigned to the assignee of the present invention and incorporated herein by reference. This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent No. 6,700,964 B1.